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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Intelligence)
SUBJECT: Offshore Island Situation

General

The lull in the offshore islands continues.

Matsus

On 6 March the Nationalists had completed the movement of about two-thirds of the 84th Infantry Division to the Matsus.

Quemoy

On 6 March 143 "large boats," 225 sailboats and 11 boats described as steamers were anchored near Weitou, northeast of Big Quemoy, according to a MAAG report. During this same period five landing craft were observed in the Amoy area and 52 junks sailed to Amoy from Aotou to the northeast. These sightings indicate a considerably higher level of shipping activity than usually noted in the Amoy area. However, MAAG attaches no particular significance to the activity at this time. This increase in sighting may have resulted from an increased requirement for such reports from the Nationalist garrison on the Quemoy.

Weather

Forecast for next 48 hours is partly cloudy with scattered showers. Visibility 7 miles, reduced to 1-3 miles in early morning fog and haze. Surface winds northeasterly 6 to 12 knots; seas slight.

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